

# **Directory of Judges Maryland Orphans' Court**

## **Orphans' Court of Allegany County**

Hon. Billie J. Gilpin  
Associate Judge

Hon. Donna F. May  
Chief Judge

Hon. Mark L. Widmyer  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Rebecca D. Drew*

James S. Getty Annex  
59 Prospect Square  
Cumberland, MD 21502  
(301) 724-3760 (FAX) 301-724-1249  
Tues. – Fri.: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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## **Orphans' Court of Anne Arundel County**

Hon. Judith Duckett  
Associate Judge

Hon. Nancy Phelps  
Chief Judge

Hon. Gordon Witherspoon  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Lauren Parker*

Circuit Courthouse  
Church Circle  
P.O. Box 2368  
Annapolis, MD 21401  
ROW (410) 222-1430 (FAX) 410-222-1467  
Court (410) 222-1418 (FAX) 410-222-1393  
Tues. & Thur.: 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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## **Orphans' Court of Baltimore City**

Hon. Joyce Baylor-Thompson  
Chief Judge

Hon. Lewyn Scott Garrett  
Associate Judge

Hon. Michele Loewenthal  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Mary W. Conaway*  
Suite 311 Courthouse, East  
111 N. Calvert Street  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
ROW (410) 752-5131  
Court (410) 396-5034 (FAX) 410-545-3487  
Mon. – Fri.: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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## **Orphans' Court of Baltimore County**

Hon. Colleen Cavanaugh  
Associate Judge

Hon. William Evans  
Chief Judge

Hon. Theresa A. Lawler  
Associate Judge

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*Register of Wills - Grace G. Connolly*  
County Courts Building  
401 Bosley Ave. Suite 3507  
Towson, MD 21204  
ROW – (410) 887-6680  
Court (410) 887-6516 (FAX) 410-296-5480  
Mon. – Fri.: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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## **Orphans' Court of Calvert County**

Hon. Jessie Jo Bowen  
Associate Judge

Hon. Leslie M. Downs  
Associate Judge

Hon. Thomas M. Pelagatti  
Chief Judge

*Register of Wills - Margaret H. Phipps*  
County Courthouse  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678  
(410) 535-0121 (FAX) 410-535-1787  
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

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### **Orphans' Court of Caroline County**

Hon. Beverly S. Blades  
Chief Judge

Hon. Francis Callahan  
Associate Judge

Hon. Robert Taylor  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - James L. Phelps*  
Courthouse  
109 Market Street, Room 119  
Denton, MD 21629  
(410) 479-0717 (FAX) 410-479-4983  
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

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### **Orphans' Court of Carroll County**

Hon. Ronald Brewer  
Associate Judge

Hon. Catherine E. Reese  
Associate Judge

Hon. Dorothy V. Utz  
Chief Judge

*Register of Wills - Paul G. Zimmermann*  
55 North Court Street, Room 124  
Westminster, MD 21157  
ROW – (410) 848-2586  
Court - (410) 386-2086 (FAX) 410-876-0657  
Mon. & Tues.: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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### **Orphans' Court of Cecil County**

Hon. W. Edwin Cole, Jr.  
Associate Judge

Hon. Carolyn Crouch  
Chief Judge

Hon. Vincent R. Pantalone  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Allyn Price Nickle*  
Circuit Courthouse  
129 East Main Street, Suite 102  
Elkton, MD 21922 – 0468  
ROW (410) 996-5330  
Court – (410) 996-5330 – (FAX) 410-996-1039  
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – until completed

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### **Orphans' Court of Charles County**

Hon. J. Lorraine Berry  
Associate Judge

Hon. Warren A. Bowie  
Chief Judge

Hon. Frank H. Lancaster  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Lorraine D. Hennsessy*  
Court House  
11 Washington Ave.  
LaPlata, MD 20646  
(301) 932-3345 (FAX) 301-932-3349  
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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### **Orphans' Court of Dorchester County**

Hon. George R. Ames, Jr  
Associate Judge

Hon. Carolyn I. Todd  
Associate Judge

Hon. Calvin Travers  
Chief Judge

*Register of Wills - Doris K. Lewis*  
206 High Street  
Cambridge, MD 21613  
(410) 228-4181 (FAX) 410-228-4988  
Every Tuesday: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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### **Orphans' Court of Frederick County**

Associate Judge      Hon. Cleopatra Campbell      Hon. Adrian McC. Remsberg  
   Chief Judge      Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Virginia P. Fifer*  
100 West Patrick Street  
Frederick, MD 21701  
(301) 600-6565 (FAX) 301-600-6580  
Tues. & Thur.: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

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## **Orphans' Court of Garrett County**

Hon. Clifford C. DeWitt  
Chief Judge

Hon. James F. Margroff  
Associate Judge

Hon. H. Wayne Wilt  
Associate Judge

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*Register of Wills - Rita L. Watson*

313 East Alder Street

Oakland, MD 21550

(301) 334-1999 (FAX) 301-334-1984

Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – until completed

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## **Orphans' Court of Harford County**

Circuit Court Judge, sitting as Judge of Orphans' Court: Hon. Emory A. Plitt

*Register of Wills - Derek K. Hopkins*

Court House, Room 304

20 W. Courtland St

Bel Air, MD 21014 (410) 638-3275 FAX (410) 893-3177

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## **Orphans' Court of Howard County**

Hon. Anne L. Dodd  
Associate Judge

Hon. Sherae McNeal  
Chief Judge

Hon. Leslie Smith Turner  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Byron MacFarlane*

8360 Court Ave.

Ellicott City, MD 21043

(410) 313-2133 (FAX) 410-313-3409

Every Wed.: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

(Extra day as needed)

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## **Orphans' Court of Kent County**

Hon. William I. Blake  
Associate Judge

Hon. Elroy G. Boyer, Jr.  
Chief Judge

Hon. Harry T. Williams  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Nancy Lee Jewell*  
Court House  
103 N Cross St.  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
(410) 778-7466 (FAX) 410-778-2466  
Every Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. – Noon

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## **Orphans' Court of Montgomery County**

Admin. Judge of Circuit Court for Montgomery County: Sit on rotation basis.

*Register of Wills - Joseph M. Griffin*  
Judicial Center  
Room 322  
50 Maryland Ave.  
Rockville, MD 20850-2397  
(240) 777-9600 (FAX ) 240-777-9602

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## **Orphans' Court of Prince George's County**

Hon. Wendy A. Cartwright  
Chief Judge

Hon. Athena Malloy Groves  
Associate Judge

Hon. Vicky L. Ivory-Orem  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Cereta A. Lee*  
14735 Main Street #D4001  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20773  
ROW (301) 952-3250 (301) 780-7819  
Court (301) 952-3790 FAX (301) 952-4489  
Hearings: Tues., Thurs. & Fri.

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### **Orphans' Court of Queen Anne's County**

Hon. Kimberly J. Cascia  
Associate Judge

Hon. Joseph V. DiPietro  
Chief Judge

Hon. George M. O'Donnell  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Winsie A. Cannon*  
P.O. Box 59  
107 North Liberty St.  
The Liberty Building  
Centreville, MD 21617  
(410) 758-0585 (FAX) 410-758-4408  
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

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### **Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County**

Hon. Linda Dean  
Chief Judge

Hon. William M. Mattingly  
Associate Judge

Hon. Dalton Wood  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Lois A. Duke*  
41605 Courthouse Drive  
Leonardtown, MD 20650  
(301) 475-5566 (FAX) 301-475-4968  
2nd & 4th Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – until completed

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### **Orphans' Court of Somerset County**

Hon. Donald L. Howard  
Associate Judge

Hon. Betsy S. Schrock  
Chief Judge

Hon. John R. Somers  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Gary W. Miller*  
30512 Prince William Street  
Princess Anne, MD 21853  
(888) 758-0039  
(410) 651-1696 (FAX ) 410-651-3873  
Every Tuesday: 10:00 – 1:00 p.m.

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### **Orphans' Court of Talbot County**

Hon. Carville D. Duncan  
Associate Judge

Hon. William J. Howard  
Associate Judge

Hon. Donald E. James  
Chief Judge

*Register of Wills - Alice W. Anderson*  
11 North Washington Street  
Easton, MD 21601  
ROW (410) 770-6700  
Court (410) 770-6700 (FAX) 410-822-5452  
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

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### **Orphans' Court of Washington County**

Hon. Robert L. Adair, Jr.  
Associate Judge

Hon. Frank E. Novinger  
Associate Judge

Hon. John M. Shriver  
Chief Judge

*Register of Wills - Jason A. Malott*  
24 Summit Ave., Room 213  
Hagerstown, MD 21740  
ROW (301) 739-3612  
Court (301) 791-3298 (FAX) 301-733-8636  
Tues. & Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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### **Orphans' Court of Wicomico County**

Hon. Norma Lee Barkley  
Chief Judge

Hon. Melissa Pollitt Bright  
Associate Judge

Hon. William J. Smith, Jr.  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Karen A. Lemon*  
Court House  
101 North Division Street, Rm 102  
Salisbury, MD 21803-0787  
(410) 543-6635 (FAX ) 410-334-3440  
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. until completed

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## **Orphans' Court of Worcester County**

Hon. Linda M. Hess  
Associate Judge

Hon. William D. Shockley  
Chief Judge

Hon. J. Dale Smack, III  
Associate Judge

*Register of Wills - Charlotte K. Cathell*  
Court House, Room 102  
One West Market Street  
Snow Hill, Maryland 21863-1074  
(410) 632-1529 (FAX) 410- 632-5600  
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. until completed

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